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The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall provide leadership and create policies for education that expand opportunities for children, empower families and communities, and advance Louisiana in an increasingly competitive global market.

OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES

Meeting of August 18, 2011

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

AUGUST 18, 2011

**The Louisiana Purchase Room
Baton Rouge, LA**

The Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education met in regular session on August 18, 2011, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Board President Penny Dastugue and opened with a prayer by Ms. Cindy Arceneaux, Project Director, Louisiana Parent Training and Information Center.

Board members present were Mr. Dale Bayard, Mr. John Bennett, Ms. Glenny Lee Buquet, Ms. Penny Dastugue, Mr. Jim Garvey, Ms. Louella Givens, Mr. Keith Guice, Ms. Linda Johnson, Mr. Walter Lee, and Mr. Chas Roemer.

Ms. Connie Bradford was absent.

Mr. Charlie Michel, Lafourche Parish School System, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 5 On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved the agenda, as printed and disseminated, with the addition of Emergency Agenda Items 13-19. (Schedule 1)

Agenda Item 6 On motion of Ms. Givens, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the minutes of the Board meeting held August 3, 2011.

Agenda Item 7 **Notices of Intent**

Agenda Item 7-A On motion of Ms. Givens, seconded by Mr. Guice, the Board did not approve for final adoption revisions to Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*, Subpart 1. Regulations for Children with Disabilities: §151. Adoption of State Complaint Procedures and Early Resolution Program, §508. Due Process Hearing Request, §511. Impartial Due Process Hearing and Hearing Officer Appointments, §512. Hearing Rights, §514. Finality of Decision; Appeal; and Compliance with Hearing Decision, and §905. Definitions.

NOTE: The LDE requested that the Board not approve this item for final adoption at this time. Amended policy language will be presented to the Academic Goals and Instructional Improvement Committee for approval as a Notice of Intent in October 2011.

Agenda
Item 8**Report by the Acting State Superintendent of Education**

The following are Acting State Superintendent of Education Ollie Tyler's remarks to the Board in August 2011.

"Good Afternoon Board Members. I am delighted to speak with you today.

Much has happened since we held our last full Board meeting in mid-June.

First of all, for nearly 700,000 public school students across our state, the summer vacation has come to an end – as most districts and schools began their 2011-2012 school year last week.

We're optimistic that, through our partnerships and through the hard work of our administrators, staff, teachers, and students in 70 school districts and 98 charter schools statewide, this school year will be the most successful in the history of our state.

There are many positive things happening in education across our state, and our aim is to make sure this trend continues.

In fact, just yesterday, the Department released ACT results for the Class of 2011, and the results indicate more of our students are meeting college and career readiness benchmarks.

As you know, the ACT is taken by high school students and used by most universities and colleges in Louisiana to determine student admission, scholarships, and placement in college courses. But even more importantly, the national test measures whether students have the essential knowledge and skills to succeed in college and the workplace.

The good news is that more Louisiana students, in fact, do.

In Louisiana, the average composite score in 2011 increased to 20.2, up from 20.1 in 2010. This matches the increase in the national composite, which also rose by one-tenth of a point.

Since 2001, Louisiana's average composite score has increased six times faster than national average -- up six-tenths of a point, from 19.6 in 2001 to 20.2 in 2011. During that same time period, the national average increased just one-tenth of a point.

Also, on Tuesday of this week, the Department released tests results for End of Course and Summer Re-testers.

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The results of the End-of-Course tests showed dramatic gains for high school students from last year to this year, with the percentage of students earning a passing score increasing by 9 percentage points in English II and Geometry and 8 percentage points in Algebra I.

Also, more of Louisiana's fourth and eighth graders are advancing to the next grade after summer testing. In fact, the percentage of 4th and 8th grade students meeting promotional standards this year is the highest since the state's accountability system was put in place in 1999.

While the 2011 legislative session concluded in June and we'll be working with you to develop new policies to comply with these new laws, much of the work of the Department has centered on implementing key policies already adopted.

As we work to engage our publics in the implementation of Common Core State Standards and Assessments, the Department has launched a new section on our website featuring information on both of these new policy changes.

At the same time, our teams are working collaboratively and aggressively to ensure a smooth transition when these new policies are fully implemented during the 2014-2015 school year.

Another policy change that is ongoing is the implementation of Act 54. In fact, this school year all 70 districts and our charter schools are participating in the value-added pilot for tested grades and subjects.

And in their most recent meeting, the Advisory Committee on Educator Excellence, or ACEE, voted to move forward with the establishment of workgroups, which will make recommendations for tools to measure the performance of teachers who teach Non-Tested Grades and Subjects.

On the national front, several policy initiatives have recently been announced, including a new round of Race to the Top grants.

And just a few weeks ago, U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan announced a waiver program, which will offer states relief from No Child Left Behind requirements, in exchange for the adoption of reform models and initiatives.

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We are exploring each of these national policy issues. And we look forward to dialoguing with you about these as we learn more over the next several months.

Also, last month the Department took time to celebrate some of the most outstanding educators in Louisiana at the 5th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Symposium and Celebration.

I would like to take a moment to again congratulate all of the regional finalists and winners of the Teacher and Principals of the Year Awards, as well as Louisiana's 2011 Superintendent of the Year, Dr. Gary L. Jones from Rapides Parish.

Finally, I would like to recognize Sam Pernici, who recently announced he will be retiring from the Louisiana Department of Education on September 29th.

Sam has dedicated himself to the education of Louisiana students for 36 years. And he is a tremendous asset to individuals and groups inside and outside the agency.

For the first 15 years, Sam worked to assist in the development and administration of the state's testing program back when the concept of standardizing grade-level tests was a fairly radical idea.

For the next 10 or so years, Sam managed our School Report Card Program, which was the Department's first attempt to share school level data in an easy to understand format. He also managed the School Incentive Program, the forerunner to our current Accountability Program.

And for the last ten years, he has helped lead and assist in the development and refinement of the state's accountability system, as well as the Department's data collection and analysis program, including BESE's District Dialogue project, the analysis and interpretation of ACT scores, and first-time freshman reports.

We want to thank Sam for his years of tireless work, contributions, and for devoting so much of his talent, passion, and life to collecting and using data to drive decisions and improvement that has benefitted thousands of students. And even more importantly, will continue to benefit students long after you leave us.

So, please join me in thanking Sam Pernici. We will miss you, and we thank you.

Ladies and gentlemen, that will conclude my report. Thank you."

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The Board joined Ms. Tyler in thanking Mr. Pernici for his service to the children of Louisiana and wished him well in his retirement.

Agenda **Academic Goals and Instructional Improvement Committee**
Item 9-A (Schedule 2)

9-A-1 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following requests from local education agencies for waivers of Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*, policy:

- a. St. Helena Parish School Board's request for a waiver to allow Rachel Iheanacho and Sarah Tillinghast, who are not certified, to teach summer remediation courses, and
- b. Linwood Public Charter School's request for a waiver of §2501. Elementary Summer Schools, to allow Sherie Moore, whose Practitioner Level 2 Teacher License expired, to teach summer school.

9-A-2 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the request from Calcasieu Parish School Board for a waiver of Bulletin 118, *Statewide Assessment Standards and Practices: Chapter 3, §305. Test Security Policy*, which does not allow the student retest scores to be included in School Performance Scores when the retest is caused by a breach of test security.

9-A-3 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of requests from local education agencies for waivers of policy contained in Bulletin 1706."

9-A-4 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the initial 2011-2012 Academic Classifications for the following new nonpublic schools, as recommended by the LDE:

- a. Cathedral Montessori Academy – Orleans Parish – Approved, and
- b. Montessori Christian Academy – St. Tammany Parish – Approved.

9-A-5 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board granted Brumfield vs. Dodd approval for the following schools:

- a. Hunter's Academy – Acadia Parish,

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- b. Greater Mt. Olive Christian Academy – East Baton Rouge Parish, and
- c. Messiah Montessori School – Terrebonne Parish.

- 9-A-6 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the implementation of an assessment for reading, language, and mathematics on a statewide pilot basis to all second graders in Spring 2012.
- 9-A-7 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report on options for including a value-added assessment model in the statewide system of school and district accountability, including the methodology and/or models used in other states. Further, the Board directed the LDE to continue its study of various options and to bring forth new policy, if recommended, at the October 2011 meeting.
- 9-A-8 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: “Consideration of updates regarding LAA 2 accountability improvements.”
- 9-A-9 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: “Consideration of the Louisiana School Counseling Model (LaSCM): A Comprehensive Student Development Program,” and Bulletin 741 policies related to the LaSCM.
- 9-A-10 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: “Consideration of a plan to increase long-term student participation and performance on AP exams,” to allow the LDE to receive indication of a USDOE grant award and other information.
- 9-A-11 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved waiver requests pertaining to the requirement for collaboration with non-school system providers for school districts participating in the LA4 Prekindergarten Program.
- 9-A-12 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the Developing Skills Checklist (DSC) as the kindergarten assessment instrument used by all public/charter schools to measure readiness for kindergarten and to plan for classroom instruction.
- 9-A-13 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board ratified the Louisiana Superintendent of Education’s report of personnel actions for the BESE Special Schools (BSS) and the Special School District (SSD).

- 9-A-14 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of annual approval of new alternative education schools," to allow additional time for completion of revised applications that incorporate plans for implementing the new Alternative Education Standards.
- 9-A-15 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of annual approval of new alternative education programs," to allow additional time for completion of revised applications that incorporate plans for implementing the new Alternative Education Standards.
- 9-A-16 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the Annual Report on Alternative Schools for SY 2010-2011 and authorized the LDE to submit the report to the Governor, the House Committee on Education, and the Senate Committee on Education.
- 9-A-17 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the Annual Report on Alternative Programs for SY 2010-2011 and authorized the LDE to submit the report to the Governor, the House Committee on Education, and the Senate Committee on Education.
- 9-A-18 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report regarding the feasibility of limiting the practice of classroom teachers testing their own students on statewide assessments and retained this item on the agenda until October 2011.
- 9-A-19 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 118, *Statewide Assessment Standards and Practices*: §312. Administrative Error, §315. Emergencies During Testing, §317. Virtual Charter Schools, §701. Overview of Assessment Programs in Louisiana, §1348. Last Cohorts, §1803. Introduction, §1805. EOCT Development and Implementation Plan, §1808. Biology Test Structure, §1813. Performance Standards, §1817. EOCT Achievement Level Descriptors, §1821. First Cohort, §2401. Description, §2403. Introduction, §2405. Format, §2407. Membership, §3303. Special Education Students, §3305. Students with One or More Disabilities According to Section 504, and §3505. Foreign Exchange Students.

- 9-A-20 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §2357. Physical Education, related to off-campus PE.
- 9-A-21 On motion of Mr. Bayard, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: §337. Written Policies and Procedures and §502. Staff Misconduct, required by Act 533 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session and Act 267 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session.
- 9-A-22 On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Bennett, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 1706, *Regulations for Implementation of the Children with Exceptionalities Act*. Subpart 1. Regulations for Students with Disabilities, Chapter 1. State Eligibility, Subchapter F. Students with Disabilities Enrolled by their Parents in Private Schools, §133. Expenditures, related to the implementation of Act 515 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session (NEW), as amended and presented by the LDE, noting the following technical correction to §133.E.3.a.ii.:

An eligible student may be expelled from the school in accordance with the school's discipline policies or may be disqualified from enrollment if the student is no longer eligible for the program as determined by the department.

Agenda
Item 9-B

Administration and Finance Committee

(Schedule 3)

- 9-B-1 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board directed the BESE Legal Counsel to continue work to resolve the following litigations, as per the discussion in Executive Session:
- a) Clark, et al., v. BESE, et al., 19th JDC, Docket No. 598340;
 - b) OPSB v. Pastorek, et al., 19th JDC, Docket No. 600994;
 - c) OPSB v. Pastorek, et al., 19th JDC, Docket No. 601307;
 - d) LFT, et al., v. State of LA, et al., 19th JDC, Docket No. 592,208;
 - e) Berry, et al., v. Pastorek et al., U.S.E.D., Docket No. 10-cv-04049;
 - f) Elaine Davis v. Cecil Picard, et al., 19th JDC, Docket No. 534,519; and
 - g) Oliver v. Orleans Parish School Board, et al., Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, Docket No. 05-12244.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-2 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report of 8(g) monitoring visits conducted by Board staff.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-3 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the update report on the FY 2010-2011 LEQTF 8(g) earnings, as submitted by the Louisiana Department of the Treasury.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-4 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received grants/allocations of \$2 million or less approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education, the Co-Chairs of the Administration and Finance Committee, and the BESE President; and School Improvement Grant allocations approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education, the Co-Chairs of Administration and Finance Committee, the BESE President, and two additional members appointed by the Co-Chairs of Administration and Finance Committee.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-5 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received LDE contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-6 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the RSD contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-7 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the summary report (YTD) by fiscal unit/BESE initiative on contracts of \$50,000 and under approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education and received by the Board.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-8 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the summary report (YTD) by fiscal unit/BESE initiative of contracts over \$50,000 approved by the Board.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-9 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received LDE contracts and amendments approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education, the Co-Chairs of the Administration and Finance Committee, and the BESE President.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-10 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report on the MFP formula.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-11 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report on the LDE Budget.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Grants and Allocations

School and District Support - Competitive

9-B-12 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: High Risk Pool Grant
Amount: \$1,704,289
Funding Period: 09/01/11 – 09/30/12
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) has set aside approximately 1.9 million dollars to provide assistance to local education agencies through the establishment of a High Risk Pool. High Risk Pool refers to federal/state set aside funds available to provide additional supports to LEAs serving disabled students with high-cost needs. The Reauthorized Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) introduced a major provision designed to provide funding flexibility for states and districts

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with respect to funding high-costs special education services for high-need students. The change was introduced in response to concerns that costs for services for children with the most severe disabilities negatively impact the resources of districts and states, thus making it extremely difficult to provide individualized supports and services necessary for students to thrive in the education setting.

Basis of Allocation: Approved LEAs must meet the required criteria, as outlined under IDEA and state guidelines. At a minimum, qualifying LEAs must demonstrate, through individual student documentation, that services to high needs students in their LEA are negatively impacting the LEA's budget. This must be evidenced by individual services to students exceeding three times the per pupil expenditure for the state. The Division of IDEA and NCLB Support established this activity as a state priority through Louisiana's IDEA State Plan for FY 2011-2012.

The following considerations were applied to the review and approval process:

- All applicants recommended for funding must meet the criteria outlined through the application process.
- The amount each LEA receives as a state per pupil expenditure was removed from the LEA's requested funding amounts.
- Employee benefits, travel, or indirect costs were not justified expenses to support this activity.

Student-specific salaries, special equipment and supplies, professional services, and special transportation needs were considered as funding priorities through this process.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Student Centered Goals - Competitive

9-B-13

On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: Math and Science Partnerships
Amount: \$120,083
Funding Period: 05/01/11 – 09/30/12
Source of Funds: Federal

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Purpose: The purpose of the Math Science Partnership Projects established under Title II, Part B, of NCLB Act of 2001 is to assist districts as they create opportunities for enhanced and ongoing professional development for mathematics and science teachers. The MSP program has been designed to improve the academic achievement of students by enhancing content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom math and science teachers.

Basis of Allocation: Math Science Partnership subgrants will be awarded on a competitive basis to school systems who partner with the science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics departments at institutions of higher learning. All districts were eligible to participate in a partnership. The amount of funds to be awarded to any district is based on the program proposals and review scores and participant numbers.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

School and District Innovations - Other

9-B-14 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: 8(g) Teacher Advancement Program - TAP
Amount: \$500,000
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: 8(g) IAT

Purpose: TAP is a research-based school reform system designed to recruit, motivate, and retain high-quality teachers to increase student achievement. Funds are to be distributed to participating schools to be used as follows:

Salary addendums for master/mentor teachers, travel to TAP trainings and to the National TAP Conference, performance appraisal system (CODE), SAS/EVASS Value-Added Reports, professional development expenses, supplies and materials for TAP master/mentor teachers, and TAP cluster rooms.

Basis of Allocation: School allocations were computed by dividing the total 8(g) budget (\$500,000.00) by the number of TAP schools (twenty-two) that are not receiving funds from TIF. The 2011-2012 allocation for each of the twenty-two schools is \$22,727.00.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-15 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: 8(g) Louisiana School Turnaround Specialist Program
Cohort III
Amount: \$54,000
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: 8(g) IAT

Purpose: The Louisiana School Turnaround Specialist Program (LSTS) is a leadership development program that borrows heavily from the corporate world. It is designed to strengthen the organizational and instructional leadership skills of currently certified and experienced principals to prepare them to lead low-performing schools to higher student achievement. The LSTS is designed to recruit, groom, and build a cadre of school leaders prepared to turn around failing schools and addresses the ongoing support component of the LELN. The program builds upon existing research that identifies rigorous selection criteria, significant integrated field-based and mentoring experiences, relevant coursework, and strong coordination with local schools and districts as critical to leader preparation and turning around failing schools. The major components of the program focus on improving overall student achievement levels through an intense leadership curriculum delivered by Louisiana universities that were selected and trained as Regional Program Providers.

Basis of Allocation: In order to provide support to districts and program candidates, funds have been allocated to districts selected to participate in Cohorts III of the LSTS Program. These funds are to be utilized to enroll selected candidates, district advocates, and school leadership members in LSTS program activities at their assigned university provider. The funds cover tuition and travel for participants to complete the last module of the LSTS program. All districts, except for East Baton Rouge Parish, are eligible for up to \$1,200.00 in funding per LSTS candidate and school. East Baton Rouge Parish has arranged for their university provider to meet participants in the district; therefore, their allocation is \$750.00 per candidate and school, due to not needing a travel allocation. A total of 48 candidates and schools from 16 different districts will receive allocations.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-16 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: Teacher Incentive Fund
Amount: \$4,898,710
Funding Period: 10/01/11 – 09/30/12
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: The LA Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) supports efforts to develop and implement performance-based teacher and principal compensation systems in high-need schools. The goals include: increase the percent of effective educators; build the district capacity to implement and sustain a performance-based compensation system for teachers and principals; and, increase student achievement in the seven partnering LEAs. These goals will be achieved through the implementation of TAP™: The System for Teacher and Student Advancement in Ascension, Desoto, Jefferson, Pointe Coupee, St. Mary, Tangipahoa, and West Baton Rouge Parishes.

Basis of Allocation: Funds are distributed to participating LEAs to be used as follows: salary for district/school personnel (i.e., master teachers); salary addendums for additional leadership roles and responsibilities of master/mentor teachers; differentiated effectiveness incentive pay stipends for career teacher, master/mentor teachers, assistant principals, and principals; hard-to-staff recruitment incentives; and the TAP Online Training Portal.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Innovation - Other

9-B-17 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: School Administrator Model (SAM)
Amount: \$12,900
Funding Period: 09/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: Wallace Foundation/ IAT

Purpose: The Wallace Foundation is piloting the use of the School Administration Manager (SAM) project in Louisiana. The SAM project helps school leaders spend their time where the impact is highest: working directly with students and teachers. The SAM project brings together tools, data,

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and coaching to help administrators spend more time on instructional leadership and less on school management. The overall goal is to improve instruction and school climate, eventually increasing student achievement. The Louisiana Board of Regents has utilized Wallace Foundation Grant money to fund three other SAM sites, one in St. John Parish and two in Jefferson Parish. The \$12,900 from the LDOE's Wallace Foundation Grant will be allocated to St. Mary Parish to provide one year of SAM project services to Franklin High School.

Basis of Allocation: \$12,900 is the cost of one year of SAM project services.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-18 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: Trailblazer Program
Amount: \$10,000
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: State General Funds

Purpose: As support offered through the Trailblazer Program, the Office of Innovation is supporting St. John the Baptist Parish in providing training designed to increase teacher and leader effectiveness. Resources will be used to cover the costs associated with consultation and two full professional development workshops for principals and school leadership teams.

Basis of Allocation: This allocation was based on the number of staff anticipated to participate in the program.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

School and District Support - Other

9-B-19 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: State Level Funding
Amount: \$1,800,000
Funding Period: 10/01/11 – 09/30/12
Source of Funds: Federal

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Purpose: The Louisiana Department of Education administers programs which provide direct services to disabled and at risk students in state operated programs. These programs are administered through the Special School District and Louisiana Schools for the Deaf and the Visually Impaired. Services are provided to students in a combination of residential and day programs. The global basis of this request may include activities which support the following initiatives: assist in providing direct services to students in state operated programs by complying with state and federal student transportation mandates and ensure access to services and community integration; address the needs of personnel shortages; expand technology in the IEP process; improve and support the use of classroom technology, support the use of assistive technology and Universal Design for Learning to maximize access to the general curriculum; provide a continuum and oversight with regard to the transition of students to postsecondary activities; and support the provision of alternative programs for students removed for disciplinary actions.

Basis of Allocation: The basis of this allocation is a targeted grant, authorized pursuant to 34 CFR 300.370(c). The BESE Special Schools serve a disproportionately high number of high need students with disabilities. These student populations require more intense academic supports and services. Therefore, the Division of NCLB and IDEA Support has identified the population of students served by the Special Schools as a priority to support improved educational services in these facilities.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Student Centered Goals Office - Other

9-B-20 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: LaSIP Co-Teaching Project
Amount: \$25,896
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: Federal

Purpose: The purpose of these funds is to increase the math performance of students with disabilities by engaging co-teaching partners in joint, on-going professional development in both math content and co-teaching strategies.

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Basis of Allocation: Allocations were based on the number of participants participating in the training with allowances for stipends, fringe benefits, travel, testing, and instructional resource materials.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-21 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: Baker Mathematics Stipends
Amount: \$6,480
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30-12
Source of Funds: IAT – 8(g)

Purpose: The purpose of these funds is to compensate teachers for participation in the Singapore Math Summer Professional Development Workshop. The purpose of the workshop is to train 4th grade teachers from the City of Baker School System to implement the Singapore Math method in their classes in a similar way as already done in grades K-3. The Singapore Math Summer Professional Development Workshop was held on July 20-21, 2011, at the Baker Municipal Center.

Basis of Allocation: Participants who complete the Singapore Math Summer Professional Development Workshop are awarded a stipend of \$360.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-22 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following grant/allocation:

Allocation: Fundamentals of 8th Grade Mathematics
Comprehensive Curriculum
Amount: \$3,441.63
Funding Period: 07/01/11 – 06/30/12
Source of Funds: IAT – 8(g)

Purpose: The purpose of these funds is to compensate teachers for participation in the Fundamentals of 8th Grade Mathematics Comprehensive Curriculum Workshop. The Fundamentals of 8th Grade Mathematics Comprehensive Curriculum workshop is a series of professional development for first, second, or third year 8th grade mathematics teachers. The entire series consists of 9 days of professional development throughout

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the school year. The workshop is designed to train beginning teachers in the use of various LDE resources, including the Comprehensive Curriculum, the Assessment Guide, EAGLE, and the Access Guide, among others. The first session consists of an Overview day, and two days of exploration of Units 1 and 2 of the 8th Grade Mathematics Comprehensive Curriculum. Subsequent sessions throughout the school year will follow subsequent units of the Comprehensive Curriculum.

Basis of Allocation: Participants who complete the Fundamentals of 8th Grade Mathematics Comprehensive Curriculum Workshop are awarded a stipend of \$250.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Contracts

Ms. Dastugue requested that Ms. Rayne Martin contact all BESE members to determine if there is additional information that they would like included in the October 2011 report regarding the Teach For America contract.

Human Capital

9-B-23 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board deferred until October 2011, the following contract:

Contractor:	Teach For America, Inc.
Previous Contract:	Yes
Contract Amount:	\$968,468.00
Contract Period:	09/01/2011 - 06/30/2012
Fund:	State-Teach For America Program/Teach For America Flow Thru
Competitive Process:	No - Sole Source

Description of Service: The contractor will train and place approximately 550 Teach For America corps members in Louisiana public schools for the 2011-2012 school year. The contractor will also support and provide professional development opportunities to the teachers and will recruit applicants for openings in the new school year.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Federal Programs Support

9-B-24 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Judith A. Gahr
Previous Contract:	Yes
Original Contract Amount:	\$40,000.00
Amended Amount:	\$80,000.00
Total Contract Amount:	\$120,000.00
Contract Period:	11/17/2010 - 06/30/2013
Fund:	Federal- Monitor, ENF & INV Complaints
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: The contract is being amended to provide funding for the remaining two years of the contract service, as needed for monitoring services related to compliance with federal and state special education regulations as part of the Division of NCLB and IDEA Support monitoring process. The specific goals and objectives, deliverables, performance measures, and the monitoring plan will remain the same for each year.

The contractor will co-team lead school systems during the contract period for compliance with federal and state monitoring regulations.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-25 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Barbara LeBlanc
Previous Contract:	Yes
Original Contract Amount:	\$40,000.00
Amended Amount:	\$80,000.00
Total Contract Amount:	\$120,000.00
Contract Period:	11/17/2010-06/30/2013
Fund:	Federal- Monitor, ENF,& INV Complaints
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: The contract is being amended to provide funding for the remaining two years of the contract service, as needed for monitoring services related to compliance with federal and state special

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education regulations as part of the Division of NCLB and IDEA Support monitoring process. The specific goals and objectives, deliverables, performance measures, and the monitoring plan will remain the same for each year.

The contractor will co-team lead school systems during the contract period for compliance with federal and state monitoring regulations.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-26 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Kathy Gilgore
Previous Contract:	Yes
Original Contract Amount:	\$40,000.00
Amended Amount:	\$80,000.00
Total Contract Amount:	\$120,000.00
Contract Period:	11/17/2010 - 06/30/2013
Fund:	Federal- Monitor, ENF, & INV Complaints
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: The contract is being amended to provide funding for the remaining two years of the contract service, as needed for monitoring services related to compliance with federal and state special education regulations as part of the Division of NCLB and IDEA Support monitoring process. The specific goals and objectives, deliverables, performance measures, and the monitoring plan will remain the same for each year.

The contractor will co-team lead school systems during the contract period for compliance with federal and state monitoring regulations.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-27 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Boys & Girls Club of Greater Baton Rouge
Previous Contract:	Yes
Original Contract Amount:	\$1,121,718.00
Amended Amount:	\$(-70,534.21)
Total Contract Amount:	\$1,051,183.79

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Contract Period: 01/01/2010 - 12/31/2011
Fund: Federal-21st Century Community Learning Center Flow Thru
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: The contractor will provide after-school academic enrichment opportunities for children attending low-performing schools through the establishment and operation of community learning centers. In an effort to provide the contractor the opportunity to continue working to meet performance requirements, the LDE recommended a renewal of the 21st CCLC contract for Year Two (2). However, the organization did not spend 100% of Year One (1) funding by December 31, 2010. As written in the Request for Proposal, because the contractor did not spend 100 % of the Year One (1) funding, the LDE is reducing the Year Two (2) funding by the amount remaining in Year One (1). The amendment will provide a decrease of (-\$70,534.21) in Year Two (2) funding in Cohort 7.0.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-28 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: St. James Parish School Board
Previous Contract: Yes
Original Contract Amount: \$450,000.00
Amended Amount: \$(-18,414.00)
Total Contract Amount: \$431,586.00
Contract Period: 01/01/2010 - 12/31/2011
Fund: Federal-21st Century Community Learning Center Flow Thru
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: The contractor will provide after-school academic enrichment opportunities for children attending low-performing schools through the establishment and operation of community learning centers. In an effort to provide the contractor the opportunity to continue working to meet performance requirements, the LDE recommended a renewal of the 21st CCLC contract for Year Two (2). However, the organization did not spend 100% of Year One (1) funding by December 31, 2010. As written in the Request for Proposal, because the contractor did not spend 100 % of the Year One (1) funding, the LDE is reducing the Year Two (2) funding by the amount remaining in Year One (1). The amendment will provide a decrease of (-\$18,414.00) in Year Two (2) funding in Cohort 7.0.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-29 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Richland Parish School Board
Previous Contract:	Yes
Original Contract Amount:	\$195,000.00
Amended Amount:	\$(-10,054.26)
Total Contract Amount:	\$184,945.74
Contract Period:	01/01/2010 - 12/31/2011
Fund:	Federal-21st Century Community Learning Center Flow Thru
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: The contractor will provide after-school academic enrichment opportunities for children attending low-performing schools through the establishment and operation of community learning centers. In an effort to provide the contractor the opportunity to continue working to meet performance requirements, the LDE recommended a renewal of the 21st CCLC contract for Year Two (2). However, the organization did not spend 100% of Year One (1) funding by December 31, 2010. As written in the Request for Proposal, because the contractor did not spend 100 % of the Year One (1) funding, the LDE is reducing the Year Two (2) funding by the amount remaining in Year One (1). The amendment will provide a decrease of (-\$10,054.26) in Year Two (2) funding in Cohort 7.0.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Executive Office of the Superintendent

9-B-30 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor:	LSU Health Sciences Center, School of Allied Professionals
Previous Contract:	Yes
Contract Amount:	\$149,985.00
Contract Period:	08/01/2011 - 07/30/2012
Fund:	Federal-Legal IDEA B Capacity Build
Competitive Process:	No - Interagency Agreement

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Description of Service: The contractor will provide expert consultation to the Department of Education's Executive Counsel regarding services provided to special education students and gifted and talented students in charter schools.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

College and Career Readiness

9-B-31 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor:	Education Development Center, Inc.
Previous Contract:	Yes
Contract Amount:	\$99,841.00
Contract Period:	08/18/2011 - 09/30/2012
Fund:	Self-Generated LVS Gates Educause
Competitive Process:	No - Sole Source

Description of Service: The contractor will: 1) scope and sequence the current LVS Algebra course for common core standards alignment; 2) revise the current LVS Blackboard version 8 Algebra I *Rate of Change and Slope Unit* into two separate 4 week modules in Blackboard version 9.1 course; 3) develop course enhancements; 4) evaluate Project. EDC was an LDOE partner in a recently awarded \$250,000.00 Next Generation Learning Grant. The Louisiana Department of Education's Louisiana Virtual School (LVS) Program proposed to expand upon its nationally recognized online Algebra program. Through this grant, (LVS) students will have access to Common Core Standard (CCS) learning modules via technology-enabled solutions that will improve mastery of the Math CCS. It is expected that participating students will see significant gains with respect to deeper learning competencies because of the highly modularized content that is interactive, flexible, accessible, and more technology-rich than the current content/instruction that a student is exposed to in a traditional setting. It is expected that students will continue to score higher on the state-mandated Algebra End-of-Course exams as a result of the highly engaging content. The August 2011 BESE Board meeting is the first available meeting to bring forth a contract since the award was announced.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Literacy Office

9-B-32 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor:	Napa County Office of Education
Previous Contract:	No
Contract Amount:	\$300,000.00
Contract Period:	10/01/2011 - 09/30/2013
Fund:	Federal-IDEA B Preschool Leadership
Competitive Process:	No - Cooperative Endeavor

Description of Service: The contractor will: 1) conduct onsite fact finding visits in Lafayette and Livingston Parish School districts; 2) design and implement an Inclusion Retreat with both school districts in Baton Rouge; 3) provide staff mentoring, training, follow-up support, and consultation to implement action plans for inclusive preschool services; 4) conduct on-site visits and schedule regular conference calls with state and district staff to coach and support the effective implementation of district action plans; 5) monitor the progress of each district's efforts to implement inclusion restructuring, provide ongoing problem solving and support to the districts, and reports of progress to the state; 6) conference with state program staff to develop a work plan for all contract activity and deliverables; 7) submit monthly progress reports; and 8) submit a Final Project Report.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-33 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the report from the St. Helena Parish School Board regarding the financial status of the district.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-34 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the FY 2011-2012 Budget for the Recovery School District.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Recovery School District Contracts

9-B-35 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Chenevert Architects, LLC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$2,234,519.93
Amended Amount: \$7,947.00
New Contract Amount: \$2,242,466.93
Contract Period: 12/20/2007 - 12/20/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: Lawrence D. Crocker School: This amendment provides for the Additional Services Fee for the redesign of the back-up power generator system to an all-natural gas generator system and associated lighting system redesign for Lawrence D. Crocker School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-36 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor: EduShift, Inc.
Previous Contract: No
Current Contract Amount: \$120,000.00
Contract Period: 08/01/2011 - 06/30/2014
Fund: CARES Grant
Competitive Process: No, Social Service

Description of Service: Services to be provided are the development of an evaluation plan that addresses the objectives of the CARES grant, the collection and analysis of all data, and the completion of required reports.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-37 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Group Novak, LLC
Previous Contract: Yes

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Current Contract Amount: \$1,507,869.00
Amended Amount: \$161,724.84
New Contract Amount: \$1,669,593.84
Contract Period: 04/15/2010 - 04/15/2013
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: New elementary school at little woods school: this amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services required by the revised contract and also separates the contract into two separate projects. The designer's fee for basic services for the new elementary school project is based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received on May 26, 2011, and the designer's fee for basic services for the test pile program is based on the final completion price. It also provides for reimbursable expense for reproduction costs for bid documents for new elementary school at Little Woods School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-38 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Hewitt-Washington & Associates Architects and Planners
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$3,854,210.00
Amended Amount: \$264,191.00
New Contract Amount: \$4,118,401.00
Contract Period: 12/09/2010 - 12/09/2013
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: New Booker T. Washington High School and rehabilitation of the auditorium: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services required by the revised contract, based on the revised renovation factor. It also adjusts the contract design time and provides for the additional services fees for additional civil engineering and land surveying for new Booker T. Washington High School and rehabilitation of the auditorium.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-39 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Holly & Smith Architects, APAC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$1,754,150.14
Amended Amount: \$136,863.44
New Contract Amount: \$1,891,013.58
Contract Period: 01/21/2010 - 01/21/2013
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: New Phillis Wheatley Elementary School: This amendment provides for the additional services fee for an additional study to determine the feasibility of an adaptive reuse for the existing structures on site and for the redesign of the schematic design phase to rotate the building to 90 degrees to the street grid for the New Phillis Wheatley Elementary School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-40 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Lachin Oubre' & Associates, APC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$2,176,487.42
Amended Amount: \$25,814.25
New Contract Amount: \$2,202,301.67
Contract Period: 06/15/2007 - 08/01/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: New elementary school at Langston Hughes Charter School: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services, based on the final contract value plus credits in change orders at 65% of basic services fee and final contract value minus change orders associated with errors and omissions plus the commissioning back charge at 35% of basic services fee for new elementary school at Langston Hughes Charter School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-41 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor: The New Teacher Project
Previous Contract: Yes
Contract Amount: \$1,275,479.00
Contract Period: 10/01/2011 - 09/30/2012
Fund: MFP/Bill & Melinda Gates
Competitive Process: No, Education Program Specialist

Description of Service: Contractor will recruit, select, train, certify, and place high quality alternative route teachers; as well as design, implement, and oversee teacher performance management systems and services for up to 17 direct-operated RSD schools.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-42 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: N-Y Associates, Inc.
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$130,368.88
Amended Amount: -\$7,449.00
New Contract Amount: \$122,919.88
Contract Period: 05/20/2010 - 05/20/2013
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: Removal and replacement of exterior windows and doors at Henry C. Schaumburg Elementary School: This amendment adjusts the designer's basic services fees required by the revised contract, based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received, and it adjusts the designer's basic services fees for failure of the designer to attend the bid opening for removal and replacement of exterior windows and doors at Henry C. Schaumburg Elementary School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-43 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Perez, APC
Previous Contract:	Yes
Current Contract Amount:	\$3,315,277.00
Amended Amount:	\$72,892.49
New Contract Amount:	\$3,388,169.49
Contract Period:	01/21/2010 - 01/21/2013
Fund:	FEMA
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: New high school at Edward Livingston School: This amendment provides for returns of funds for post demolition surveying of the existing site because this service was rendered as a part of the demolition project. It also provides for the additional services fee for geotechnical services to determine the consistency and strength of soils for supporting new construction, additional civil engineering and land surveying services to provide an asphalt play court for student use; additional civil engineering, land surveying, and traffic analysis/permitting to provide engineering services to allow a median cut at Mayo Boulevard; professional architectural and engineering services for the design and engineering for selective demolition; relocation of (4) four modular buildings and the extension of the covered canopy, walkways, ramps and associated work; and for reimbursable expense for one additional full set of drawings, one set of specifications, and one 11"x17" drawing set of 50% construction documents for new high school at Edward Livingston School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-44 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Richard C. Lambert Consultants, LLC
Previous Contract:	Yes
Current Contract Amount:	\$288,798.00
Amended Amount:	-\$99,598.80
New Contract Amount:	\$189,199.20
Contract Period:	01/21/2010 - 01/21/2012
Fund:	FEMA
Competitive Process:	Yes

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Description of Service: Renovation of auditorium at O. Perry Walker Senior High School: This amendment adjusts the designer’s fee for basic services required by the revised contract which is based on the adjusted AFC, due to added scope of work. It also adjusts the designer’s fee for basic services, due to the project being placed on an indefinite hold. The designer is required to complete the contract obligations through the construction document phase.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-45 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Richard C. Lambert Consultants, L.L.C.
Previous Contract:	Yes
Current Contract Amount:	\$99,114.00
Amended Amount:	\$13,400.00
New Contract Amount:	\$112,514.00
Contract Period:	06/17/2010 - 06/17/2013
Fund:	FEMA
Competitive Process:	Yes

Description of Service: McDonogh #42 Elementary School (roof) Project No.: 2010-0789-0001, McDonogh #32 Elementary School (roof) Project No.: 2010-0797-0001, McDonogh #28 Elementary School (roof) Project No.: 2010-0796-0001, Joseph A. Hardin Elementary School and Ernest N. Morial Elementary School (new perimeter security fence installation) Project No.: 2010-0798-0001, Village de L’est Elementary School (Roof) Project No.: 2010-0801-0001, various roof and repair projects (RCL) Project No.: 2010-0790-0001: This amendment provides for the additional services fee for structural engineering investigation and for a roof structure investigation for Village de L’est Elementary School (roof) Project No.: 2010-0801-0001.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-46 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor:	Sher Garner Cahill Richter Klein & Hilbert, LLC
Previous Contract:	Yes
Current Contract Amount:	\$150,000.00
Amended Amount:	\$75,000.00

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New Contract Amount: \$225,000.00
Contract Begin Date: 01/01/2010
Current Contract End Date: 12/31/2011
Amended End Date: 12/31/2012
Fund: MFP
Competitive Process: No, True Professional

Description of Service: The contractor will provide professional legal representation to the Recovery School District in litigation or potential litigation matters. The amendment to the contract extends the contract for an additional year and increases the contract amount by \$75,000.00.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-47 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: SM3 Properties, LLC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$1,431,917.03
Amended Amount: \$530,677.56
New Contract Amount: \$1,962,594.59
Contract Begin Date: 08/15/2007
Current Contract End Date: 08/31/2011
Amended End Date: 08/31/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: No, Property Lease

Description of Service: The leased facility has been used by the Recovery School District (RSD) as a welcome school for those students returning to New Orleans. The building, which is located at 2239 Poydras Street, consists of approximately 31,435 square feet of usable space. The rental rate is \$16.50 per square foot per annum and been rented under this lease for four years. This is the second and last contract renewal option. The monthly rent is \$44,223.13. The facility is operated by the RSD.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-48 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: VergesRome, APC
Previous Contract: Yes

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Current Contract Amount: \$72,033.26
Amended Amount: -\$6,960.00
New Contract Amount: \$65,073.26
Contract Period: 09/04/2009 - 09/04/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: Waterproofing exterior masonry at McDonogh #15 Elementary School, roof removal and replacement at Dibert Elementary School, Gentilly Terrace Elementary School, Drew Elementary School, and emergency boiler roof repairs at Frederick Douglass High School: This amendment adjusts the designer's fee for basic services required by the revised contract, which is based on the actual low bidder's price from bids received on January 6, 2011, for roof removal and replacement at Drew Elementary School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

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On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: VergesRome Architects, APAC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$600,456.00
Amended Amount: \$9,500.00
New Contract Amount: \$609,956.00
Contract Period: 09/16/2010 - 09/16/2013
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: Mothballing of closed schools – safe and secure Israel M. Augustine Middle School, Louis D. Armstrong Elementary School, Andrew J. Bell Junior High School, Oretha C. Haley Elementary School, Lorraine Hansberry Elementary School, Morris F.S. Jeff Elementary School, Valena C. Jones Elementary School, George Mondy Elementary School, and John A. Shaw Elementary School: This amendment provides for the additional services fee for architectural and engineering services for the redesign of the roof structure from wood to steel at Andrew J. Bell Roofing Project No.: 2010-0820-0001.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-50 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: VergesRome, APC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$65,073.26
Amended Amount: \$23,245.00
New Contract Amount: \$88,318.26
Contract Period: 09/04/2009 - 09/04/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: Waterproofing exterior masonry at McDonogh #15 Elementary School, roof removal and replacement at Dibert Elementary School, Gentilly Terrace Elementary School, Drew Elementary School, emergency boiler roof repairs at Frederick Douglass High School and Exterior Masonry Repair at McDonogh #15 Elementary School: This amendment provides for the addition of a new project, project number and scope of work for exterior masonry repair at McDonogh #15 Elementary School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-51 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract amendment:

Contractor: Yeates & Yeates Architects, LLC
Previous Contract: Yes
Current Contract Amount: \$2,199,860.13
Amended Amount: \$256,717.00
New Contract Amount: \$2,456,577.13
Contract Period: 06/15/2007 - 06/15/2012
Fund: FEMA
Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: New Fannie C. Williams Elementary School: This amendment provides for the designer's fee for administering the first bid phase, which was cancelled by the owner for new Fannie C. Williams Elementary School. It also provides for fees due to the designer for additional services associated with the preparation of a revised schematic design phase and provides for revisions to classroom (LAB), designs and

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FF&E (casework and equipment) in 28 rooms, due to modifications of room usage and refinement of educational concept for New Fannie C. Williams Elementary School.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

- 9-B-52 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the RSD contracts approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education, the Co-Chairs of the Administration and Finance Committee, and the BESE President; and 21st Century contracts approved by the Acting State Superintendent of Education, the Co-Chairs of Administration and Finance Committee, the BESE President, and two other members appointed by the Co-Chairs of Administration and Finance Committee.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

- 9-B-53 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the grant funds for the Early Head Start program facility renovations.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

- 9-B-54 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for 8(g) Statewide Program, Academic/Vocational Enhancement of BESE Special Schools, (S036C), (SEC), for FY 2011-2012.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

- 9-B-55 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the proposed program and budget for 8(g) Statewide Program, Academic/Vocational Enhancement of BESE Special Schools, (S036A), (LSD), for FY 2011-2012.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

- 9-B-56 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board authorized the BESE staff to advertise for services to conduct program evaluations of FY 2011-2012 8(g) Statewide Programs and Student Enhancement Block Grant Projects (Literacy Focus Only). Further, the Board directed the BESE staff to review applications and make recommendations for evaluators to the Committee in October 2011.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-57 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board authorized the BESE president to establish an 8(g) Workgroup to assume a leadership role in building the FY 2012-2013 8(g) Program and Budget.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-58 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board authorized the BESE staff to reallocate \$250,000 of unused FY 2011-2012 8(g) Student Enhancement Block Grant funds to proposed districts and charter schools to assist with the purchase of Developing Skills Checklist kits needed to conduct kindergarten readiness assessments, as outlined in Act 249 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-59 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the BESE Budget.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-60 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contract:

Contractor:	ULL Picard Center for Child Development and Lifelong Learning
Contract Amount:	\$63,500
Contract Period:	09/01/2011 – 12/01/2012
Fund:	8(g)

Description of Service: To evaluate the FY 2011-2012 8(g) Prekindergarten Programs and to include the student information/results in the longitudinal study of Louisiana Prekindergarten Programs.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-61 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the 2011 Legislative Action Plan.

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-62 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until August 2012: "Consideration of Executive Session to discuss the annual evaluation of the State Superintendent of Education."

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

9-B-63 On motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of recommendations for improving the effectiveness of Board advisory councils and revisions to the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 28, Part I (BESE Code), §503."

Mr. Bayard was recorded as abstaining.

Agenda **Educator Effectiveness Committee** (Schedule 4)
Item 9-C

9-C-1 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board received the Teacher Certification Appeals Council Report dated July, 27, 2011.

9-C-2 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of a report on the teacher exit interview system."

9-C-3 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the Corrective Action Plan from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in the area of English/Language Arts.

9-C-4 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the following teacher education programs:

Grambling State University: Practitioner Teacher Programs in General Special Education Mild/Moderate: An Integrated to Merged Approach in Grades 1-5 and Grades 6-12 (English).

9-C-5 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the recommendation of the Louisiana Unit Accreditation Board (LUAB) and granted approval of the college of education at McNeese State University.

9-C-6 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the recommendation of the Louisiana Unit Accreditation Board (LUAB) and granted approval of the teacher preparation and certification program at Tulane University.

9-C-7 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the recommendation of the Louisiana Unit Accreditation Board (LUAB) and granted approval of the school of education at Xavier University.

9-C-8 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 6, Subchapter A, §605. Requirements to add Early Childhood (Grades PK-3).

- 9-C-9 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 6, Subchapter A, §607. Requirements to add Elementary (Grades 1-5).
- 9-C-10 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 4, Subchapter A, §413. Social Worker.
- 9-C-11 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board deferred until October 2011: "Consideration of revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 7, Subchapter A, §713. Requirements to Add Instructional Coaching Leadership."
- 9-C-12 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 4, Subchapter A, §411. School Nurse.
- 9-C-13 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 746, *Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel*: Chapter 2, Subchapter B, §240. Educational Leader Practitioner (Residency) Program; Chapter 7, Subchapter A, §703. Introduction, §705. Educational Leader Certificate Level 1, §707. Educational Leader Certificate Level 2; and Chapter 7, Subchapter B, §721. Out-of-State Principal Level 1 (OSP1), and §723. Out-of-State Principal Level 2 (OSP2).
- 9-C-14 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 741, *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*: Chapter 3, §337. Written Policies and Procedures, and Chapter 5, §507. Louisiana Educational Leaders Induction (LELI) Program.
- 9-C-15 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board denied the request from Ms. Laura Saunders for a hearing regarding the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to her credentials.
- 9-C-16 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board denied the request from Mr. Roderick James for a hearing regarding the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to his credentials.

- 9-C-17 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board allowed the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to her credentials for Ms. Beatriz Buford.
- 9-C-18 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board allowed the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to her credentials for Ms. Casey Smith Oden.
- 9-C-19 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board denied the request from Ms. Marcia Hardy Brown for a hearing regarding the issuance of a Louisiana teaching certificate appropriate to her credentials.

Ms. Givens was recorded as being opposed to the motion.

Agenda **School Innovation and Turnaround Committee** (Schedule 5)
Item 9-D

- 9-D-1 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the requests for a material amendment to the charters governing:
- Kenilworth Science and Technology Charter School, chartered by Pelican Educational Foundation, Inc., to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana;
 - SciTech Academy at Laurel Elementary School, chartered by Renew - Reinventing Education, Inc., to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; and
 - Crestworth Learning Academy, chartered by Crestworth Learning Academy, Inc., to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.
- 9-D-2 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board directed the BESE Executive Director to request an Attorney General opinion regarding:
- whether state law permits a charter school to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana after it has elected to participate in the system in its charter application or its original charter contract, and
 - whether BESE can allow a charter school to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana by charter contract amendment.
- 9-D-3 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deleted Agenda Item III.A.1.c. regarding Joseph S. Clark High School, chartered by Firstline Schools, Inc.

- 9-D-4 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deferred until October 2011 the request for a material amendment to the charter governing John Dibert Community School, chartered by Firstline Schools, Inc., to withdraw from the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.
- 9-D-5 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the request for a material amendment to the charter governing Langston Hughes Academy Charter School, chartered by NOLA 180, Inc., to continue to contract with Firstline Schools for the 2011-2012 school year. The agreement will allow Firstline to provide executive leadership, human resources management, operations and maintenance management, compliance reporting, technology management, and other needed services.
- 9-D-6 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deleted Agenda Item III.A.1.g. regarding D'Arbonne Woods Charter School, chartered by D'Arbonne Woods Charter School, Inc.
- 9-D-7 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deleted Agenda Item III.A.1.h. regarding The MAX Charter School, chartered by The Maxine Giardina Charter School, Inc.
- 9-D-8 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board deleted Agenda Item III.A.1.i., regarding Louisiana Connections Academy, chartered by Friends of Louisiana Connections Academy.
- 9-D-9 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the request for a material amendment to the charter governing Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle Orleans, chartered by The Lycee Francais de la Nouvelle Orleans, Inc. (LFNO), to change the school's satellite location to 6500 Magazine Street, New Orleans.
- 9-D-10 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received an update report from the Recovery School District on Capital Projects for June 2011, which includes the June 2011 Superintendent's Report, the BESE monthly report on open contracts as of 7/6/2011, the June 2011 Program Update for RSD Phase 1 Projects, and the 2011 2nd Quarterly Report.
- 9-D-11 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 126, *Charter Schools*: §103. Definitions, §515. Application Components, §3701. Application to this Bulletin, §3703. Curriculum in Virtual Charter School, §3705. Technical Requirements for Virtual Charter Schools, and §3707. Virtual Charter School Funding, regarding policy related to virtual charter schools.

- 9-D-12 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board:
 - a. received the report and retained on the agenda: “Consideration of revisions to Bulletin 111, *The Louisiana School, District, and State Accountability System*, and Bulletin 129, *The Recovery School District*, to ensure that no students attending a failing school that is being closed or reconstituted are assigned to another failing school or to a watch list school, unless the district enters into and meets conditions outlined in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the LDE.”
 - b. approved, as a Notice of Intent, revisions to Bulletin 129, *The Recovery School District*: §501. Transfer to the Recovery School District, §503. Conditional Supervisory Memorandum of Understanding, and §505. Return of Schools to LEA, to clarify and streamline policy regarding schools placed under an MOU with the RSD, as well as schools transferred to the authority of the RSD.

9-D-13 On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board received an update report concerning the proposed amendments regarding the School Facilities Master Plan for Orleans Parish.

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The LDE provided Board members with a handout entitled “Louisiana Department of Education, Charter School Application Submission and Evaluation Timeline.”

Discussion followed.

9-D-14A On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the LDE’s request to allow for the revision and resubmission of 2011 charter school Request for Applications, per Act 213 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session.

9-D-14B On motion of Mr. Roemer, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the LDE’s request to insert an additional timeline for the receipt of charter school application materials from applicants seeking to operate specified RSD schools.

Mr. Bayard, Ms. Givens, and Ms. Johnson were recorded as being opposed to the motion.

Agenda **Board Advisory Council Reports**

Item 10

Agenda **Nonpublic School Commission**

Item 10-A

(Schedule 6)

On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the minutes of the Nonpublic School Commission meeting held August 2, 2011, and approved the tentative agenda for October 4, 2011.

Agenda **Superintendents' Advisory Council**

Item 10-B

(Schedule 7)

On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Guice, the Board received the minutes of the Superintendents' Advisory Council meeting held August 4, 2011, and approved the tentative agenda for October 6, 2011.

Agenda **Board Advisory Council Appointments**

Item 11

(Schedule 8)

On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the reappointment of Ms. Avis Brown to the Special Education Advisory Council upon the recommendation of Mr. Mark Martin, Director of Louisiana Rehabilitation Services.

On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the reappointment of Ms. Cindy Arceneaux to the Special Education Advisory Council upon the recommendation of Ms. Cindy Arceneaux, Project Director of the Louisiana Parent Training and Information Center.

Agenda **Received and/or Referred**

Item 12

Agenda **Received and/or Referred**
Item 12-A On motion of Mr. Guice, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the Resolution from the Beauregard Parish School Board regarding its full support of the positions and goals presented by the Coalition for Louisiana Public Education in its endeavors to enhance public education in the state of Louisiana. (Schedule 9)

Agenda **Received and/or Referred**
Item 12-B On motion of Mr. Guice, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the Resolution from the Caddo Parish School Board regarding its full support of the positions and goals presented by the Coalition for Louisiana Public Education in its endeavors to enhance public education in the state of Louisiana. (Schedule 10)

Agenda Received and/or Referred
Item 13

Agenda Item 13-A On motion of Ms. Givens, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the Resolution from the Iberia Parish School Board, which resolves, petitions, begs, and implores Governor Jindal and the state Legislature to create an exemption from fuel excise taxes in favor of the public school systems of the state and thereby relieve elementary and secondary school children, through their school boards, from the burden of state taxation upon school transportation. (Schedule 11)

Agenda Item 14 On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board received the minutes of the 8(g) Public Hearing held on August 17, 2011. (Schedule 12)

Agenda Item 15 On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Buquet, the Board approved the appointment of Mr. Soren Lagaard to the position of Manager of Data, Media, and Special Projects for the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, effective August 15, 2011.

Agenda Item 16 On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Board approved the following contracts, as recommended by the LDE, for the LDE and Board agencies:

Human Capital

- 1. Contractor: Ed-Cet
- Previous Contract: Yes
- Begin Date: 08/19/2011
- End Date: 06/30/2014
- Total Amount: \$150,555
- Source of Funds: TIF Grant
- Competitive Process: Yes

Description of Service: The contractor will serve as an external grant evaluator for the Louisiana Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) grant and will measure the LDE’s progress toward, and accomplishment of, all grant activities. As a part of its USDoE (TIF) grant Louisiana is required to conduct an annual evaluation of the effectiveness of (TIF) grant activities and submit an Annual Fiscal and Performance Report (APR). The contract will allow for such services to be conducted by the contractor.

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Office of Innovation

2. Contractor: James Stronge
 Previous Contract: Yes
 Begin Date: 10/01/2011
 End Date: 08/30/2012
 Total Amount: \$575,000.00
 Source of Funds: Self-Generated - Integration Project Gates/IAT
 8(g) - Comprehensive Performance
 Management System
 Competitive Process: No - Sole Source

Description of Service: The Contractor will be responsible for providing services and implementing tasks, as outlined in "Teacher and Principal Performance Evaluation." The contractor will also serve as the Project Director, in conjunction with LADOE employees assigned to assist with the project, to achieve the outcomes relative to designing Louisiana's evaluation system. (Schedule 13)

Agenda
 Item 17

On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Roemer, the Board approved the following contracts and leases, as recommended by the LDE, for the LDE and Board agencies:

Recovery School District

1. Contractor: Poland Enterprises, LLC
 Previous Contract: Yes
 Begin Date: 09/01/2011
 End Date: 05/31/2012
 Total Amount: \$349,910.37
 Source of Funds: MFP
 Competitive Process: No - Property Lease

Description of Service: The lease provides leased office space for the operation of the Recovery School District's Central Office in New Orleans; provides for central office for operating schools by providing work space for staff, files, and for servicing the needs of the customer and community. This office space and parking was procured through Facility Planning and Control. This renewal exercises the two-year renewal option under this contract, "24,754 square feet of usable space located at 1641 Poland Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, to be used by the Recovery School District, as an Officer, with One Hundred (100) parking spaces provided." Property lease includes all custodial, maintenance, waste management, pest control, and utility costs.

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- 2. Contractor: Sentino Early Childhood Academy, LLC
- Previous Contract: Yes
- Begin Date: 09/17/2010
- End Date: 09/30/2011
- Original Contract Amount: \$148,400.00
- Amended Amount: \$47,600.00
- New Total Amount: \$196,000.00
- Source of Funds: RSD Early Head Start Grant
- Competitive Process: No - Exempted by R.S. 39:1494.1

Description of Service: The contractor will provide comprehensive child care services in accordance with Early Head Start program standards for infants and toddlers and their families. RSD parenting teens and their children will receive services. The childcare agency provides services for additional children. This amendment serves to increase the funds to cover the services.

- 3. Contractor: Wilcox's Academy of Early Learning, LLC
- Previous Contract: Yes
- Begin Date: 10/01/2011
- End Date: 09/30/2012
- Total Amount: \$160,120.00
- Source of Funds: RSD Early Head Start Grant
- Competitive Process: No - Exempted by R.S. 39:1494.1

Description of Service: The contractor will provide comprehensive child care services in accordance with Early Head Start program standards for infants and toddlers and their families. RSD parenting teens and their children will receive services. The childcare agency provides services for additional children. The contract is necessary to meet the childcare requirements of the Early Head Start grant. (Schedule 14)

Agenda
Item 18

On motion of Ms. Buquet, seconded by Mr. Garvey, the Board approved the request for a material amendment to the charter governing KIPP New Orleans Leadership Academy, chartered by KIPP New Orleans, Inc., to add kindergarten with an enrollment of 96 students in the 2011-2012 school year to the school's existing contracted configuration and to add one grade level to the school each year until it reaches a K-8 configuration, as described in the approved charter application. (Schedule 15)

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Ms. Stafford Palmieri provided the Board with an overview of the Education Estimating Conference and introduced Dr. Raymond Brady, who provided a report regarding student enrollment and other education-related projections.

The following documents were provided to and discussed with Board members:

- a memorandum dated June 15, 2011, from Dr. Brady to Education Estimating Conference Members regarding “Preliminary School District Enrollment Projections for the Period 2011-2012 to 2016-2017;”
- a handout entitled, “Historical and Projected Pre-School Population for the State of Louisiana (1980-2016) and Under Five Year Cohort Population by Parish (1990-2016);”
- a memorandum dated February 23, 2011, from Dr. Brady to Education Estimating Conference Members regarding “Average Public School Teacher Salary Estimate for Louisiana in the 2010-2011 Academic Year;”
- a handout entitled, “Forecast of Total Demand for Louisiana’s Public School Regular Program Classroom Teachers and Special Needs Teachers for Academic Years 2011-2012 and 2016-2017;” and
- a handout entitled, “Projection of Total Number of Louisiana High School Graduates 2010-2011 to 2015-2016.”

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Ms. Dastugue requested that the Board provide feedback to BESE’s Executive Director, prior to the October 2011 meeting of the Education Estimating Conference, on the helpfulness of the information presented by the Education Estimating Conference or how the information could be improved upon in the future.

Ms. Givens requested that the LDE provide her with a copy of the contracts that have been issued to have these projections done.

Agenda On motion of Mr. Garvey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board received
Item 19 the report from the Education Estimating Conference regarding student
 enrollment and other education-related projections.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at
12:05 p.m.